Using a Common Framework for Trusting Components in E-Authentication Systems

Workshop on

Biometrics and E- Authentication Over Open Networks
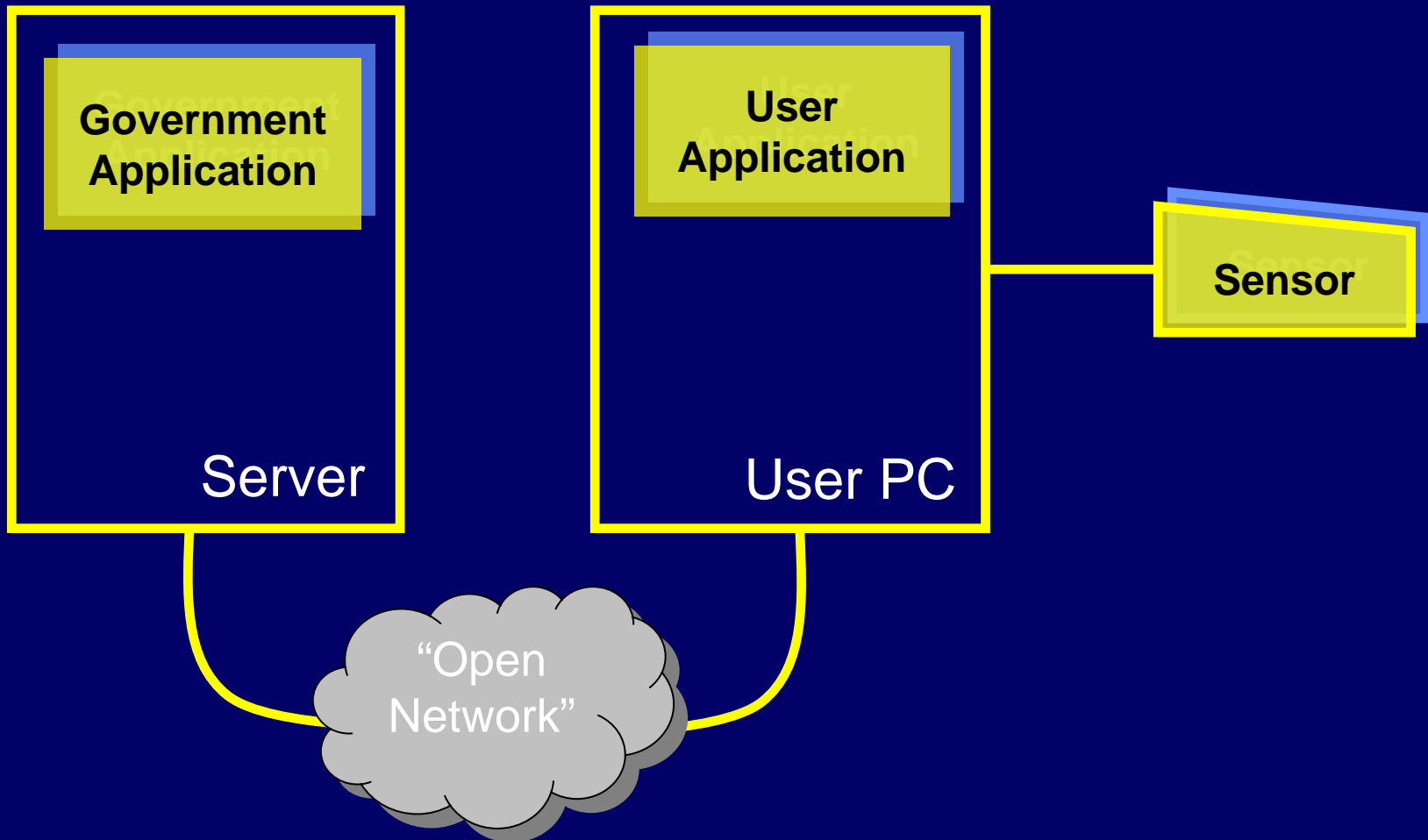
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Authentication Over Open Networks

- **Biometric Enabled Identity Determination**
  - **match live sample to enrolled sample**
- **Application (Govt) needs to know result**
  - **an ID or**
  - **"there was a match"**
- **Match can be executed anyplace**
- **Goal is to trust the match result**
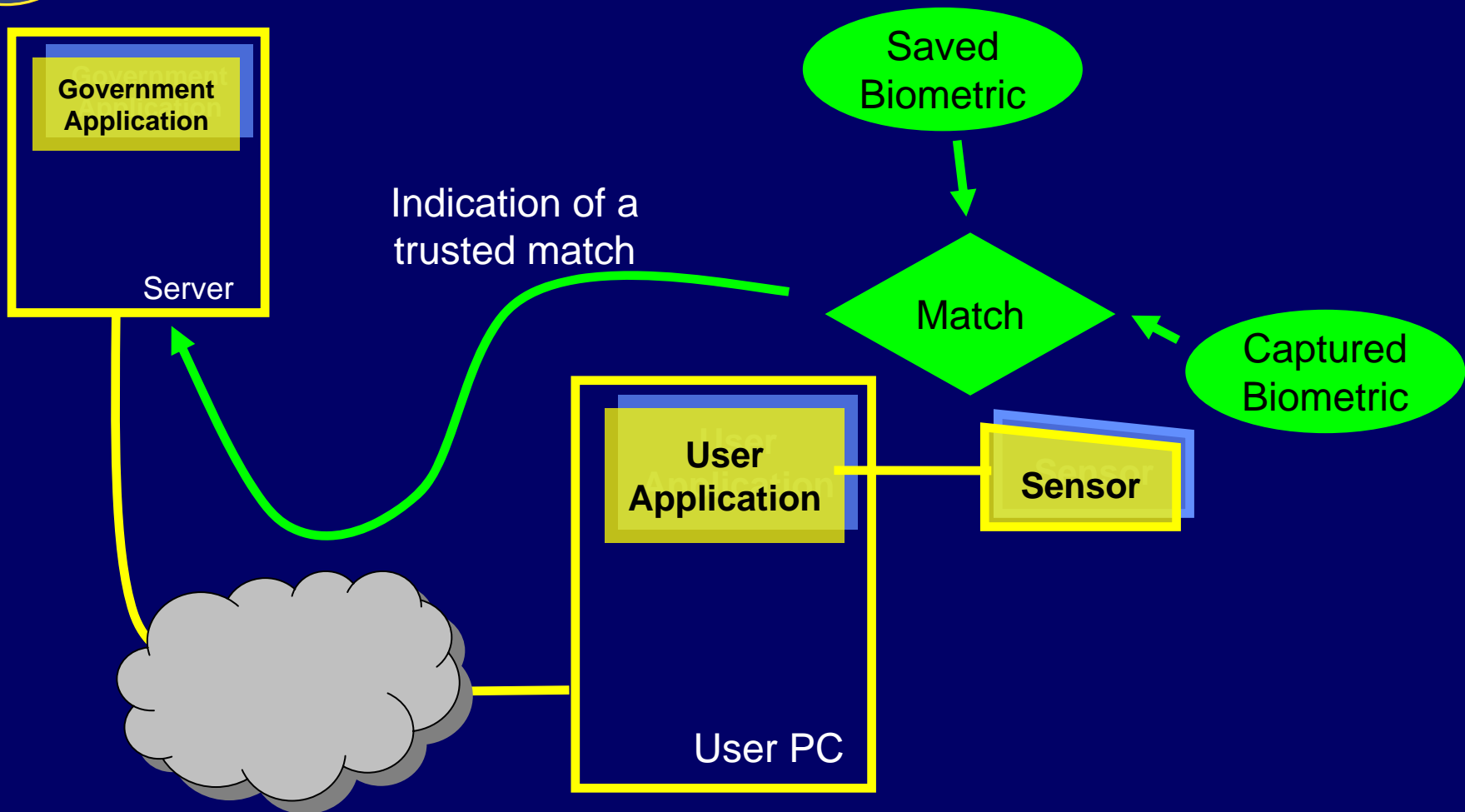- **"level" of trust corresponds to OMB assurance levels (1-4)**

Biometric Enabled Identity Determination
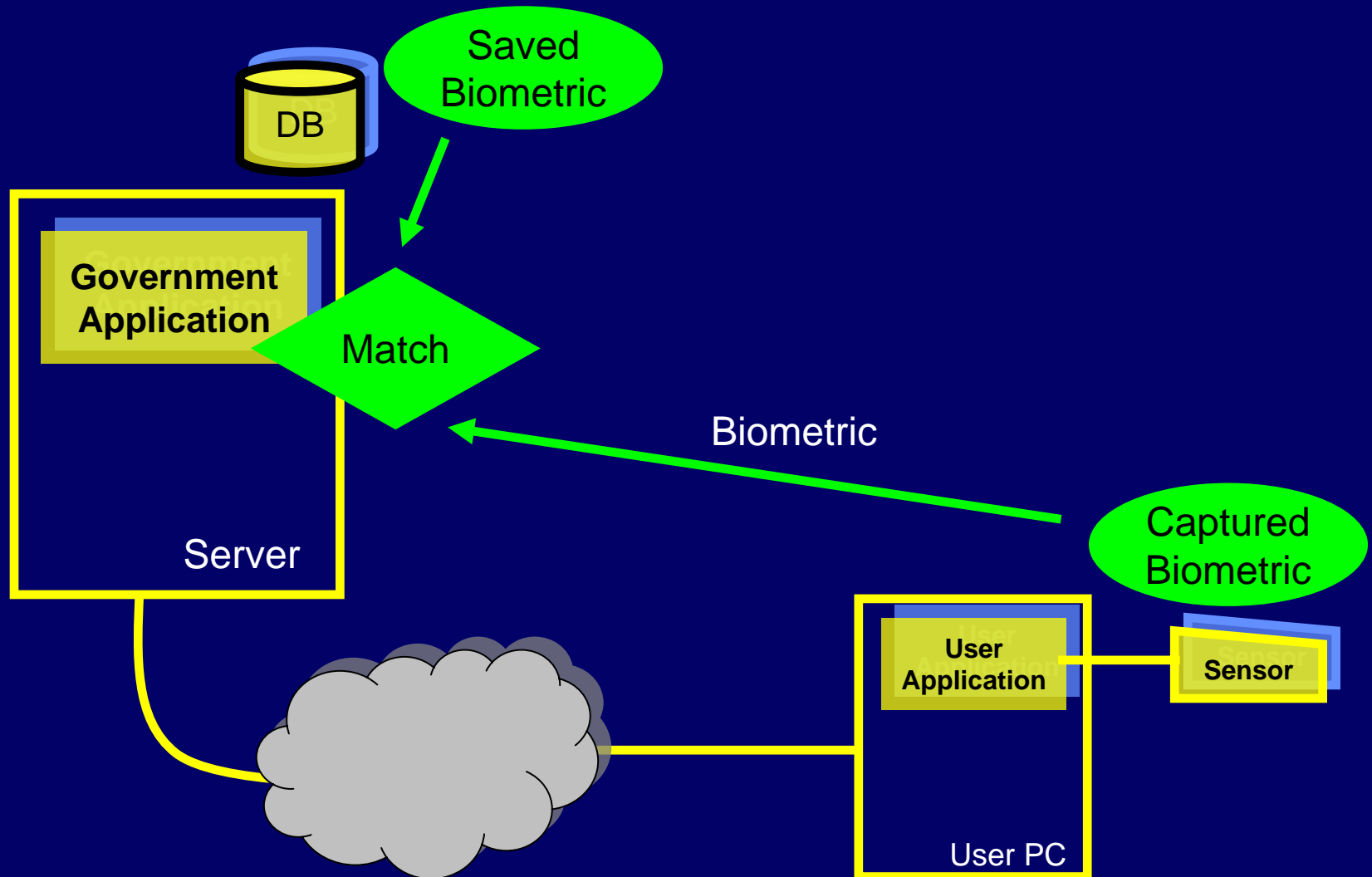
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Government Application

User Application

Sensor

Server

User PC

"Open Network"

Match Off-Server

Government Application

Server

User Application

User PC

Sensor

Saved Biometric

Captured Biometric

Match

Indication of a trusted match

Traditional Data Security
(confidentiality, integrity, and source authentication)

Match On-Server

DB

Saved Biometric

Government Application

Match

Biometric

Captured Biometric

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User Application

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Trust the Biometric

Need to convey the biometric sample

- **Trust the source**
- **Bind an identifier to the biometric**
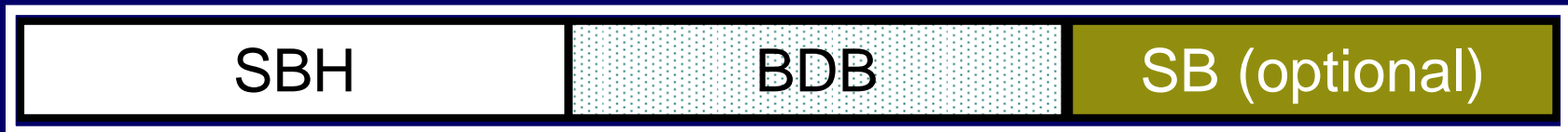- **Protect sensitive data**
- **Maintain integrity**

CBEFF

 A framework of data communications and cryptography

- **Ground rules and data requirements**
- **Multiple formats**
- **Common syntax**
- **Translation**
- **Interoperability**

• Encoding in accordance with a CBEFF Patron Format

- **Full bit-level specification**

SBH	BDB	SB (optional)

CBEFF specifies standard structures for *biometric information records* (BIRs)

- **Standard Biometric Header (SBH)**
  - **Describes BDB**
- **Biometric Data Block (BDB)**
  - **Standard or proprietary**
  - **Registration process**
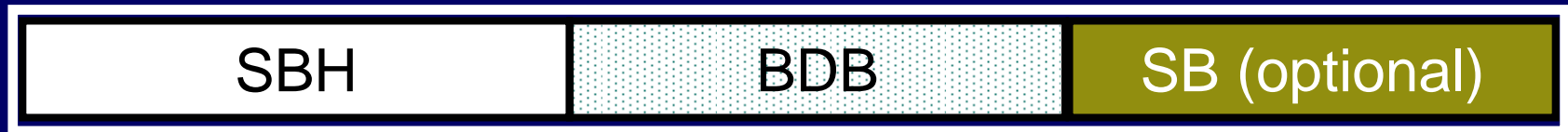- **Signature Block (SB)**

Trust - Confidentiality

Encrypted BDB

- **SBH has an indicator of BDB encryption**
- **Patron Format specifies encoding of**
    - **encryption algorithm**
    - **any necessary encryption parameters**
- **External key management**
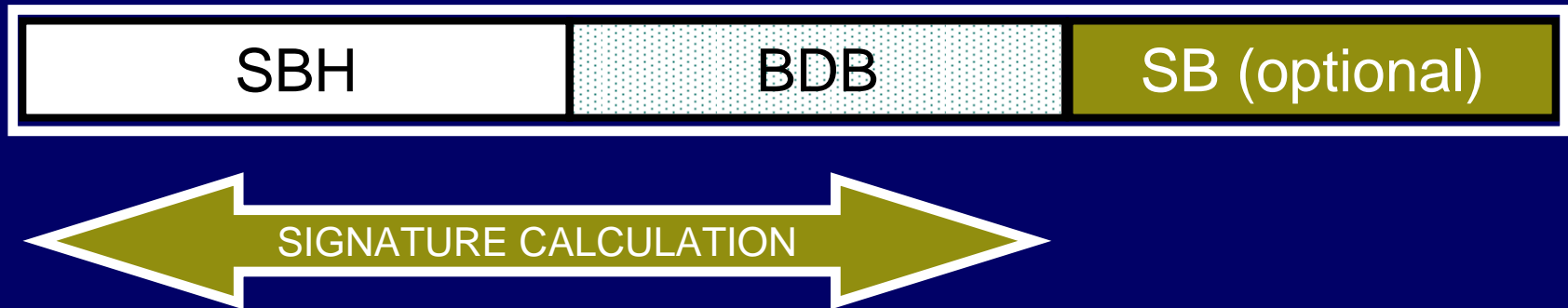
Encryption

Trust - Integrity

Signature Block

- **SBH has an indicator of presence of SB**

- **Patron Format specifies encoding of form and content of a signature block**

Digital Signature

| SBH | BDB | SB (optional) |

← SIGNATURE CALCULATION →

Trust – Binding Identity

Payload

- **Contained in SBH**

- **May contain arbitrary data**

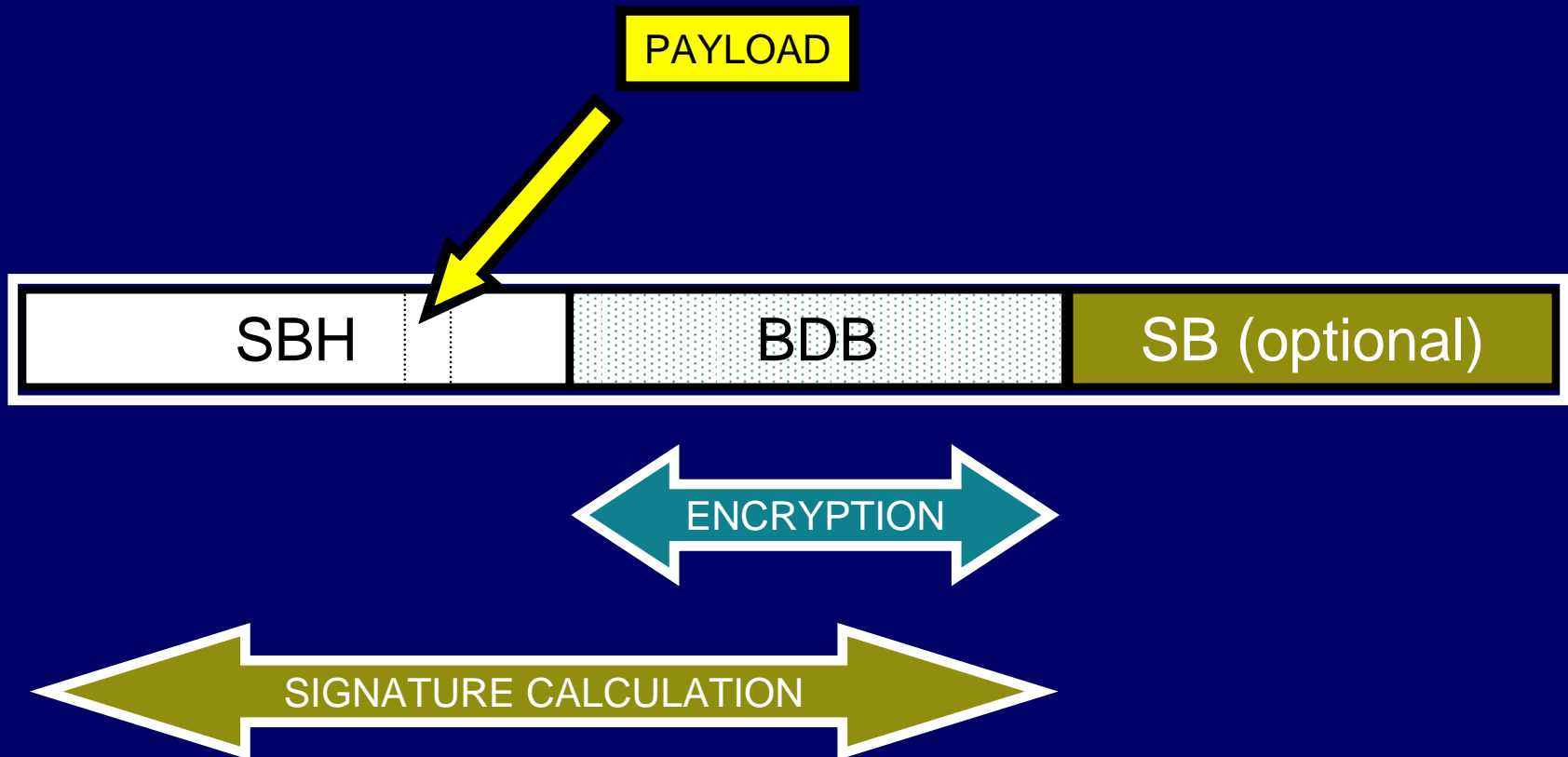- **Patron Format may specify identity data -- binding an identity to the biometric sample**

Binding

Trust

PAYLOAD

SBH	BDB	SB (optional)

ENCRYPTION

SIGNATURE CALCULATION

BIOMETRICS
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- **BioAPI Storage Format – Device Interface**

- **X9.84 – Financial Services**

- **ISO 7816-11 – Smart cards**

- **…others as needed**

IBIA is Registration Authority

- **New formats for new "Domain of Use"**

Match On-Server

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